

AVENUE
CANADA SOLUTIONS

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AVENUE.CA IS SIX YEARS OLD AND GROWING FAST!

IRCC and Ontario MLITSD's learning portal solution for online and blended settlement language training

The platform now hosts 20,000 active users & 2,000 active courses



Screen from avenue.ca.

Avenue is a four-skill modern solution to online or blended language training. Logging into Avenue also means logging into Tutela, providing access to hundreds of Made-in-Canada learning resources for LINC, CLIC and Ontario Adult Language Training. The Avenue learning management system (LMS) runs on Moodle, and includes new activities and custom applications, such as the automated Course Builder.

Avenue offers more tools to administrators and teachers, including a user account manager giving teachers control over their course enrolments, student accounts and making it easier to move students between classes. Avenue supports modernized task-based learning through a Portfolio-based Language Assessment (PBLA)-aligned e-Portfolio solution. And Avenue's eUnit Catalogue of PBLA-aligned learning resources is growing as developers like Avenue Canada Solutions (NLS), the Centre for Canadian Language Benchmarks and Āchev release new modules and eUnits.

Effective or Efficient or Both?

You can be efficient but it only matters if you are providing something people want and need. Effectiveness is the gold standard for playing our roles as learners or educators. Being efficient while being effective is something we want for all our Avenue clients in Canada. Whether you are an instructor, a manager, or especially a learner.

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KEY FEATURES OF THE COURSEWARE

- Moodle tools to conduct needs assessments, support learner self reflections, empower social learning, create skill-building, skill using and assessment tasks
- Gamify courses and learning activities
- Align activities with the LINC Curriculum Guidelines and Canadian Language Benchmarks (CLB)
- Readymade CLB and PBLA-aligned e-learning modules and eUnits with online and in-class assessments
- Automated course builder enabling teachers to create custom courses from a catalogue of 435+ English modules and over 140 eUnits in French
- Custom-built PBLA-aligned ePortfolio, with portable and downloadable artifacts
- Automatically generate and collect artifacts from activities, including instructor feedback
- Offers anytime, anywhere access to students using standard web browsers and free browser plug-ins
- Mobile-friendly for those with tablets or smartphones
- Tools for managers to monitor local courses, assign substitute teachers, and access detailed learner activity reports
- Avenue courses are fully customizable by teachers entering training STAGE 2 in the teacher training
- New Avenue teachers select their own eUnits/course content
- Teachers are also able to select a template with their organization's branding. The template can include logos, as well as localized and SPO-specific content not available in the eUnit catalogue
- Single Avenue-Tutela sign-in supporting the seamless transfer of Tutela resources into Avenue courses

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Founded in 1984 as New Language Solutions (NLS), now known as Avenue Canada Solutions is a registered charity, governed and operated by ESL - FSL educators. We are committed to sharing and collaboration with all professionals in the Canadian newcomer settlement language training sector. We operate The Avenue Project for the benefit of IRCC and MLITSD-funded language training instructors, learners and programs.

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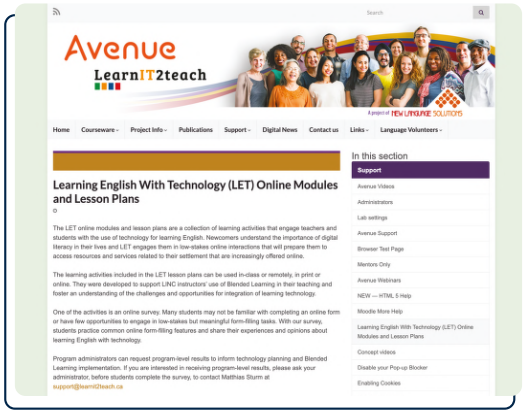
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LEARNING ENGLISH WITH TECHNOLOGY (LET) ONLINE MODULES AND LESSON PLANS

The LET online modules and lesson plans are a collection of learning activities that engage teachers and students with the use of technology for learning English. Newcomers understand the importance of digital literacy in their lives and LET engages them in low-stakes online interactions that will prepare them to access resources and services related to their settlement that are increasingly offered online.



PROVIDING ONLINE COURSEWARE FOR LEARNERS & TEACHER PREPARATION TO MAKE IT WORK

WHY INTEGRATE TECHNOLOGY-ENHANCED LANGUAGE LEARNING (TELL) INTO YOUR CLASS?

- Supports online distance learning with a full suite of synchronous and asynchronous learning and teaching tools.
- Multiple modalities (in-person and online) give your teaching more impact: provide learning opportunities in the classroom and again online, and learning is more effective.
- Supports the long tradition of using computers in the classroom and builds better practices in blended or online learning that benefit learners and their teachers.
- Forums, Group Assignments, Workshop and other activities provide opportunities for student-to-student communication and collaboration.
- Information technology in language instruction helps prepare your learners for the worlds of work and education in Canada today.
- Improved learning tracking and accountability: you will have access to time trackers, activity completion reports, gradebooks, course logs and other reports documenting all learning activity in the courseware.

WHAT LEARNERS ARE TELLING TEACHERS

> My students love to go home after class and re-visit the H5Ps. The H5Ps have video and audio which is MOST helpful for my students. Overwhelming positive feedback for these resources. I also use choice for needs assessment and questionnaire for learner reflections.

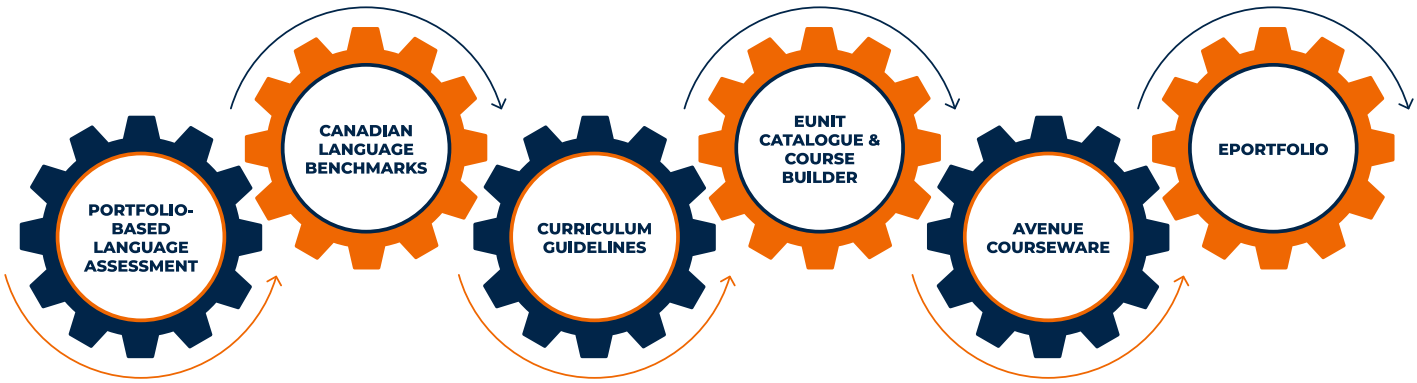
> They like having a centralized location to find their materials and to store their portfolio artefacts. Many find it easy to use. Some who started with very weak tech skills say that it has given them confidence to be able to use a program like Avenue and various activities in it.

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This diagram illustrates the interlocking pieces that make Avenue effective and efficient.

An LMS provides a virtual private learning space that enables Technology-enhanced language learning (TELL). Moodle is our LMS platform of choice. It's open-source software and license free, and it's supported by a worldwide community of millions of educators. It has about 50% market share in Europe and Latin America, and 30% in North America.

Basic computer skills like using a web browser, e-mailing or word processing are all you need to master the tools and put made-in-Canada tell materials to work in your classroom.

What does an LMS solution represent for the settlement language training sector? It's an opportunity for deeper engagement with learning, and building social interaction into a virtual classroom. It enables more flexibility in program design and delivery. It supports anywhere anytime learning. The Avenue LMS has been customized to support PBLA. The NLS developers have added a custom competency framework to Avenue Canada Solutions based on the CLB Can-Do Statements. These competency areas and statements are used in the artifacts and inventory reports.



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AVENUE STANDARDS FOR TELL

An expert team completed work in 2024 on three booklets: Instructor, Learner and Program Standards for Technology enhanced Language Learning (TELL). The three sets articulate better practices and performance indicators for all concerned in adult language training. The standards describe how to keep the human at the centre of learning and teaching while thoughtfully employing learning technology. The three booklets are available at Avenue.ca.



NEW AVENUE FEATURES AND MORE ON THE WAY

RECENTLY RELEASED FEATURES

- Avenue's Course Builder is available to all instructors. This innovative tool enables teachers to create custom courses and update live courses with ready-made content.
- Avenue's eUnit Catalogue offers more than 435 CLB-aligned modules and eUnits from literacy to benchmark 8. These modules can be browsed, searched, previewed, tested and used to build custom courses.
- Improvements to the ePortfolio include bug fixes, redesigned toolbars and artifacts, and expanded auto collection of activities (surveying tools) and instructor feedback.
- The Learner Progress Summary panel is fully functioning. It provides an inventory of learner artifacts in all courses by CLB level, skill, competency area, and whether or not they were successful.

COMING SOON

- Instructors will be able to send a custom course welcome email to individuals or the whole class through the Class Register.
- Improvements to reporting for funders, especially in co-funded classes.
- Editing teachers will be able to use their unified login with Tutela.ca to seamlessly add resources from the Tutela collections to their Avenue courses.

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WHAT'S IN THE PIPELINE?

- The ePortfolio Additional Info. activity settings will allow editing teachers to pre-set CLB/ competency info and task type, eliminating the need to update individual artifacts with this info.
- New tools for online attendance tracking.
- Improved Instructor Live help: Embedded in courseware, AI offline support.

TO LEARN MORE DETAILS OF THE AVENUE SOLUTION AND AVENUE CANADA SOLUTIONS SERVICES TO THE SETTLEMENT LANGUAGE TRAINING SECTOR, CLICK BELOW:

- **Learning Management System Essentials and Avenue**

To sign up for the training and work toward getting your own course, email **info@avenue.ca**

Hope to see you on the Avenue!

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